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### VIA ELECTRONIC CASE FILING

The Honorable William D. Quarles, Jr.  
United States District Court Judge  
U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland  
101 W. Lombard Street  
Baltimore, MD 21201

**Re: Fluxo-Cane Overseas, Ltd. v. E.D. & F. Man Sugar, Inc., et al.;**  
**Case No. 08-CV-0356 (WDQ)**

Your Honor:

The Pre-Trial Conference in this matter is currently scheduled for April 9, 2009. Accordingly, the Proposed Pretrial Order is due to the Court on April 2, 2009.

The Parties have been working cooperatively on the Proposed Pretrial Order. However, earlier this afternoon, we were contacted by counsel for Defendant E.D. & F. Man, who has taken ill and as a result has been unable to complete work on the Proposed Pretrial Order. He therefore asked that we consent to a request for a slight postponement in the submission of the Proposed Pretrial Order and/or a brief postponement of the Pretrial Conference. He further asked that we communicate the request to you on his behalf. He is hopeful that he will be back on his feet by next week.

Although Plaintiff Fluxo-Cane Overseas, Ltd. is eager to bring this matter to a conclusion, under the circumstances we have no objection to the requested postponement.

Respectfully submitted,

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